

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES of the GOVERNING BOARD of the WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

January 31, 2007

I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) was called to order by the Chairperson John Beauman at 7:34 p.m. on January 31, 2007 in the Council Chambers, Whittier City Hall, 13230 E. Penn Street, Whittier, California.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: John Beauman, Chair; Gary Watts, Vice Chair; Bob Henderson, Fred Klein, Dickie Simmons, and Jack Tanaka.

The following members were absent: Elizabeth Cheadle and Glenn Parker.

Staff present: Joseph Edmiston, Executive Officer; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources; Jeff Maloney, Staff Counsel; Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst; and Tammy Lee, Board Secretary.

III. Reappointment of public members to the Governing Board.

On motion of the Chair, duly seconded, Michael Hughes and Glenn Parker were unanimously reappointed.

IV. Administration of oath of office to new member.

Michael Hughes was sworn in as new member.

Kathy Weatherman was sworn in as Alternate to Gary Watts.

V. Appointment of Advisory Committee member(s) by new Board member.

On motion of Mr. Hughes, duly seconded, Roland vom Dorp was unanimously reappointed to the Advisory Committee, as Michael Hughes' nomination.

VI. Comments by members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.

Comments were made by Claire Schlotterbeck, Hills for Everyone.

Comments were made by Mr. Watts.

VII. Governing board and staff response to public comments.

There were none.

VIII. Consent calendar:

(a) Approval of minutes from the meeting of August 30, 2006.

(b) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

(c) Receive and file the 2005-2006 audit submitted by Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.

On the motion of Mr. Watts, duly seconded, the consent calendar was unanimously passed.

IX. Report from a representative of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee regarding the Advisory Committee meeting held on January 31, 2007.

A report was given by the Chair of the Advisory Committee, Bob Kanne.

Questions were propounded by the Chair of the Advisory Committee.

Comments were made by the Chair of the Governing Board and Mr. Watts.

X. Presentation by Metropolitan Water District of Southern California representative regarding proposed Robert B. Diemer Treatment Plant North Access Road, Telegraph Canyon, City of Yorba Linda.

Presentation given by Mr. John Vrsalovich, Project Manager. Ms. Dierdre West, Civic Engineer was also present.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Mr. Vrsalovich.

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Comments were made by Mr. Vrsalovich and Ms. West.

XI. Update by James DeStefano, Diamond Bar City Manager, regarding the City's recent proposed acquisitions and annexations/sphere of influence amendments in relation to the Aera property.

Presentation was given by Mr. James DeStefano, Diamond Bar City Manager.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Mr. DeStefano.

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XII. Discussion and possible action regarding initiating renewed efforts to acquire the Aera property.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Henderson, and the Chair.

XIII. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code that provides as follows:

No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Henderson, and the Chair.

XIV. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

With no further business before the Board, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2007.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, ASLA (Hon.)
Executive Officer

John Beauman
Chairperson